Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Saturday 30 Oct 2021 until 23:59 on Sunday 31 Oct 2021

Forecast Issued on Saturday 30 Oct 2021 at 03:14 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: The confidence in the details of rainfall over the weekend is a little uncertain, but most ranges will see wet conditions. Windier weather looks increasingly likely on Sunday, as does colder conditions next week.

Headline for Saturday 30 Oct 2021: Rain or sleet changing to brighter spells and scattered showers.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 30 Oct 2021

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Low Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy Rain	Light rain	Heavy rain showers	Heavy rain showers	Partly cloudy (night)	Clear night
Precipitation probability					
80%	60%	40%	40%	30%	20%

Forecast for Saturday 30 Oct 2021

Weather: Rain will set in through the early hours spreading northwards to affect most ranges. Early rain or summit sleet will clear to the north through morning but leaving plenty of cloud around and a few lingering showers, mainly along the west coast. A more widely dry and bright afternoon looks likely with some sunny spells. A few showers still possible, however, these heavy along the west coast.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 10% rising to 60% through afternoon.

Visibility: Thick cloud will shroud most slopes above around 600m leading to near fog conditions through much of the morning. Heavy rain will also turn glens hazy at times. Cloud will lift and break to an extent through afternoon, generally confining cloud to 800m and above with some longer breaks in between.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	28/33 SE	28/33 S	23/30 SW	21/28 SW	19/26 SW	19/26 SW	19/25 SW
900	25/29 SE	26/31 S	21/28 SW	20/27 SW	18/25 SW	18/25 SW	18/25 SW
600	18/22 SE	18/24 S	16/23 SW	15/22 SW	12/19 SW	13/19 SW	12/19 S
300	2/21 E	4/20 S	7/22 SW	6/20 SW	4/18 SW	5/18 SW	4/18 S
Glen	10/22 E	9/21 S	10/19 SW	8/18 S	6/16 SW	5/14 S	5/15 S

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	1/-6	2/-5	2/-4	2/-5	1/-5	1/-5	1/-5
900	2/-5	2/-4	3/-3	2/-3	2/-4	2/-4	2/-4
600	4/-1	4/-0	5/1	5/0	4/0	4/-0	4/-0
300	6/5	6/5	8/6	7/5	6/5	6/4	5/4
Glen	9/6	9/6	10/8	9/8	8/7	8/7	8/6
Freezing Level*	1300m	1300m	1300m	1200m	1200m	1200m	1200m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Best conditions expected later in the day, however isolated heavy afternoon showers are possible, perhaps even the odd thunderstorm towards Skye.

Forecast for Sunday 31 Oct 2021

Weather: Strengthening easterly winds will bring spells of heavy rain (initially sleet or wet snow above Munro level) through morning, but there will be marked shelter along the west coast north of Skye. The afternoon is a little uncertain, but most likely dry and bright with any showers confined to the west coast.

Maximum wind: East 10-20mph increasing 25-30mph gusting up to 40mph, easing through afternoon.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 70%, decreasing 30% for a time as rain passes over.

Visibility: Heavy rain focussed across Easter Ross and Assynt northwards will lead to visibility in the 2-5 kilometre range at lower levels and much less at height as extensive cloud sets in above 600m west, 400m east. Generally much improved through afternoon but some of the cloud may well persist.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 5 Celsius rising to around 9 Celsius.
At 800m: Near freezing.
Freezing level: 1200-1400m.

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